

**Minutes – HEDPOA Board of Directors
August 24, 2006**

3. Street Characters: John Tronson reported on a meeting held at Hollywood & Highland with David Gershwin, Chief of Staff for Council President Eric Garcetti, held on August 15. As a result of that meeting, Morrison emailed a succinct question to the council office, requesting their help in securing research from the city attorney's office on the following question:

"Is there a regulatory framework within which it would be legal to require identification badges to be worn by individuals involved in performances, street art or posing for tips on the public right-of-way in the Hollywood Entertainment District?"

Tronson and Morrison expressed concern that if no action were forthcoming from the city relative to this issue, perhaps the HED should hire its own first amendment attorney. Then it would be possible to articulate some potential solutions that are not unconstitutional.

It was moved by John Tronson, seconded by Chris Bonbright and **CARRIED to spend up to \$9,000 to hire a First Amendment attorney to advise the HEDPOA on potential and legally-defensible remedies to address the unregulated street character issue in front of the Kodak and Chinese Theatres, subject to Hollywood & Highland and Mann's matching the HED contribution (\$3000 each).**

D. Street Closure Advisory Committee

1. LA Marathon: John Tronson, the HED's representative to the CD-13 Street Closure Advisory Committee reported on the community concerns registered relative to the new Marathon route proposed for Hollywood. Recently, Tom LaBonge offered an alternative route as follows: south on Cahuenga to Highland, west on Franklin, south on Orange, east on Hollywood to Vine, south on Vine toward Wilshire. The Board registered continuing concern with closing Highland.

It was moved by John Tronson, seconded by Chris Bonbright and **CARRIED to oppose any route for the marathon which involves a closure of Highland.**

E. Nominating Committee: Morrison reported that letters announcing the recommended slate of new directors were mailed to the property owners on August 17, 2006. The slate of nominees includes: Bill Hertz, Frank Stephan, Tej Sundher and John Tronson.

VI. New Business

A. Emily Hodos reported on the progress of the 10th anniversary dinner party on September 14 at Pantages Theatre. Hodos reported that at a ticket price of \$95, the target to reach to break even on the event is 175 people. Morrison reported that the slide show will not be a professionally produced video project but rather a staff-created AV presentation using off-the-